



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION IX
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

~~December 12, 2007~~

James R. Young, Chief Executive Officer and President
Union Pacific Railroad Company
1400 Douglas Street
Omaha, NE 68179

Re: 104 (e) Request for Information - Omega Superfund Site
Several Parcels of Real Property in Whittier, CA

Dear Mr. Young:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is spending public funds to investigate and respond to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances into the soil and groundwater at the Omega Chemical Superfund Site (the "Site"). As part of its investigation EPA is seeking to determine the nature and extent of contamination at the Site, to assess the effects of contamination on the environment and public health, and to identify activities and parties that have or may have contributed to contamination at the Site.

EPA believes that you may have information which may assist EPA in its investigation of the Site. Evidence from groundwater investigations to date suggests that operations at various facilities in the area, including Omega Chemical, may have contributed to groundwater contamination through the use of volatile organic compounds (VOCs); including but not limited to, perchloroethylene (PCE), freons, trichloroethylene (TCE), methylene chloride and 1,1-DCE. Answers to the questions in Enclosure B will provide us some of the information we need for this site investigation.

We request that you provide a complete and truthful response to this Information Request and attached questions (Enclosure B) within thirty (30) calendar days of your receipt of this letter. Under Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. §9604(e), EPA has broad information gathering authority which allows EPA to require persons to furnish information or documents relating to:

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